May, June and July, 1951, the regular fee of $3.00. The expiration dates of such licenses for persons whose date of birth ends in even numerals shall be projected as follows: July, August, September, October, November, and December, 1950, $2.25; January, February, March, April, May, and June, 1950, $1.50. After the expiration dates as provided herein all subsequent licenses shall expire two years from the date of expiration as shown on the expiring license which in every event shall be the licensee's anniversary of birth.

(c) Every person making application for the first time in the state for a vehicle operator's license shall, upon payment of a fee of three dollars ($3), receive an operator's license expiring on the applicant's second birthday after the date of issue.

Passed the House February 26, 1949.
Passed the Senate March 7, 1949.
Approved by the Governor March 19, 1949.

CHAPTER 209.
[ H. B. 401. ]

MINIMUM SALARY OF PUBLIC SCHOOL TEACHERS.

AN ACT relating to education and amending section 1, chapter 198, Laws of 1937.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

Section 1. Section 1, chapter 198, Laws of 1937, is amended to read as follows:

Section 1. After the passage of this act no school board shall contract with a teacher to teach in the public schools of the State of Washington for a smaller amount than two hundred dollars ($200)
SESSION LAWS, 1949.

CHAPTER 210.

[ H. B. 47. ]

APPROPRIATION—STATE UNIVERSITY FOR COAL RESEARCH.

An act authorizing the University of Washington to construct, equip, maintain and operate a pilot plant for research and experiment to determine the practicability of the total conversion of Washington coal into gas for domestic and industrial use; making an appropriation for such purpose and vesting control in the Board of Regents.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

SECTION 1. The University of Washington is hereby authorized to construct, equip, maintain and operate a pilot plant to be located at Seattle, Washington, for conducting experiments and research to determine the practicability of the total conversion of Washington coal into gas for domestic and industrial use.

Sec. 2. There is hereby appropriated to the University of Washington from the General Fund the sum of one hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars ($125,000) or so much thereof as may be necessary, and to be used only when matching fund of one hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars ($125,000) in money or its equivalent in materials, supplies and labor be contributed to the University of Washington by industries or parties interested for the construction, equipment, maintenance and operation of said pilot plant. At the completion of the experiment, all equipment, materials and money revert to the University of Washington.